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From: Rueda, Helen

Sent: Mon 4/14/2014 3:57:03 PM Subject: RE: Pend Oreille TMDL - Facilitor

## Hi Dan

Neither Judy nor Laurie is available so it looks like you will be facilitating, assuming Ecology is OK with that. I talked to Deb Robinson and she suggested Cindy Grafe or Tracy Chellis as possible facilitators. I haven't approached them yet. Let me know if you want me to explore those options.

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From: Opalski, Dan

Sent: Monday, March 31, 2014 9:37 PM

To: Rueda, Helen

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Actually, Helen, what I was meaning to indicate is that while I am willing to go to a certain length to honor Ecology's request, neither Dean nor I are particularly convinced that a facilitator will be helpful for the kind of conversation we need to have. So I really was meaning that a "lite" approach could be fine, or if we can't find anyone whose workable internatlly, I'd be inclined to go back to Ecology with a commitment that I'll actively facilitate, given that we are in several respects in the middle already. I think either Judy or Laurie could be fine. I understand that Ecology could have some concern with Laurie, so I wouldn't push that approach if they raised an objection.

From: Rueda, Helen

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## Hi Dan

I agree that facilitation "lite" would be a mistake. Ecology did express a very strong desire for a facilitator, though they did not state it as a requirement. I would like to look into the possibilities for a facilitator, given Ecology's strong interest.

Among the facilitators available in region, Deb Robinson has the most experience and would be my first choice. However, facilitation is no longer part of her job description, so it may be difficult to get her. Other possibilities that I am familiar with would be Judy Smith or Laurie Mann. The Tribe may have an